

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 2, 3, 7 and 12 have been canceled. Claims 1, 4-6 and 8-11 are active in the case. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

The present invention relates to a process of preparing an aromatic heterocyclic boron compound using an iridium complex as a catalyst for the reaction.

Applicants' representative wishes to thank Examiner Shiao for the helpful telephonic discussion of June 4, 2009. Consistent with the discussion, applicants have now amended Claim 1 in order to remove inconsistencies therein. The now extraneous formulas (II) and (XI) have been eliminated from the claims. Further, non-elected Claim 2 has been canceled.

It is believed that the application is in proper condition for allowance. Early notice to this effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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